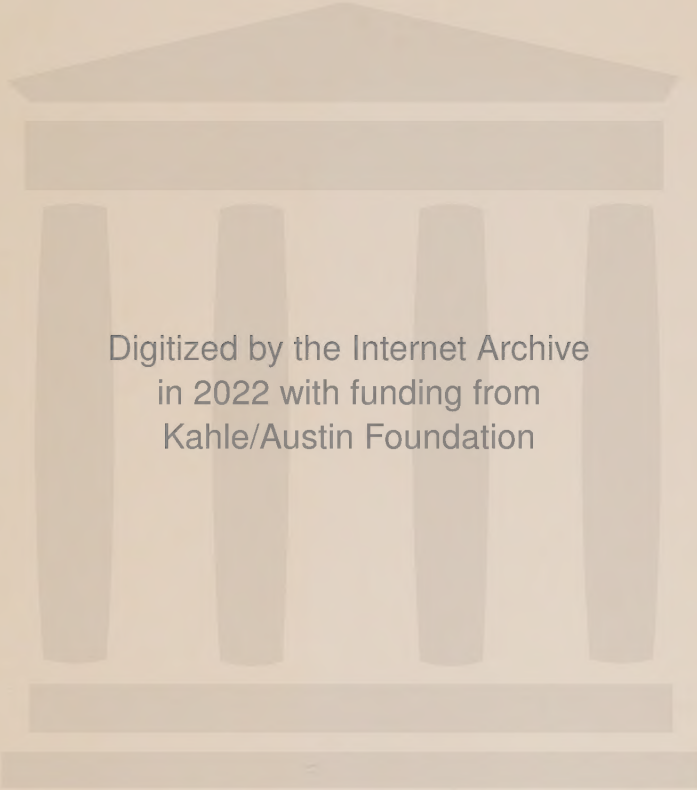


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SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

I do hereby certify that this volume is a complete and correct record of the proceedings of the Fifty-Ninth Session of the New Mexico Mission held in St. John's Methodist Episcopal Church, Santa Fe, N. M. May 31st to June 3rd inclusive, 1934, and that it was adopted by the Mission as its official record.

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Terms expiring 1935: W. R. Williams, C. E. Dunwiddie.

Terms expiring 1936: C. H. Koch, Wm. Shaver.

Terms Expiring 1937: Benjamin Eitelgeorge, G. M. Henderson.

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Terms Expiring 1937: G. M. Henderson, Vernon McCoombs, H. O. Costales, H. L. Elston, A. L. Campa.

Commission on Rocky Mountain Conference: G. M. Henderson, L. S. Wilson, S. W. Marble, Frank E. Madden, C. T. French.

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DAILY PROCEEDINGS OF THE NEW MEXICO MISSION

FIRST DAY—THURSDAY, MAY 31st, 1934

Thursday evening, May 31st at 7:30 o'clock the Ministers and their wives together with the Laymen from the Mission and the Church at Santa Fe sat down together at a well arranged banquet. The pastor, Harry T. Morris, presided. Governor Andrew W. Hockenull and Bishop Ralph S. Cushman were the speakers.

SECOND DAY—FRIDAY, JUNE 1st, 1934

Opening—The fifty-ninth annual session of the New Mexico Mission was called to order at 8:30 by Bishop Ralph S. Cushman. The Bishop, assisted by the District Superintendent and the pastor, administered the sacrament of The Lord's Supper.

Roll Call—The Secretary read the Conference roll. The following brethren responded: G. M. Henderson, D. A. Gregg, R. A. McNutt, J. W. Van Gundy, F. J. Johnston, Frank E. Madden, Harold M. Hilliard, W. L. Russell, J. Dean King, A. P. Gaines, Samuel W. Marble, George Berry, W. R. Williams, S. L. Ford, H. L. Elston, Benjamin Eitelgeorge, Harry T. Morris, J. E. Mumford.

Excused—J. S. Collins and Gerald P. Webb were excused from attendance at this session of the Conference.

Organization—Conference Boundary was placed at the first three rows of pews. F. J. Johnston was elected as assistant Treasurer.

Sympathy—The Conference directed the secretary to send a letter of sympathy to Gerald P. Webb who could not attend the Conference on account of sickness.

Joint Session—At this time the Lay Conference joined the Ministers and the secretary of the Laymen's conference. O. R. Rouse announced that W. G. Ogle of Las Vegas had been elected Chairman and O. R. Rouse of Raton, Secretary; Miss Emma Brandeberry of El Paso, treasurer.

Introduction—Dr. W. C. Hanson, representing the Methodist Book Concern was presented and addressed the Conference.

Afternoon Session—It was moved, seconded and carried that the afternoon session begin at 2:30 instead of 2:00 and with this exception the printed program be the official program of the Conference.

Superintendent's Report—The character of the Mission Superintendent, George M. Henderson was passed and he read his Annual Report. See Report.

Women's Missionary Societies—Bishop Cushman commented on the importance of the Women's Work in our Churches and expressed

the wish that each church in the Mission might have one or more missionary societies.

Epworth League Institute—Benjamin Eitelgeoger, Dean of the Flor de Manzano Epworth League Institute presented its interests. Manager A. P. Gaines also spoke on the subject.

Bishop's Hour—During the Bishop's Hour, Bishop Cushman presented the Area Program in outline and suggested probable changes. Great interest was manifest by the Brothers and Sisters present in this hour, and the program as presented.

Adjournment—The Conference adjourned with prayer by J. E. Mumford.

FRIDAY, SECOND DAY, AFTERNOON—2:30

Devotions—The Devotions were led by Dr. Vernon C. McCombs, Superintendent of Latin American Missions.

Minutes—The Minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Area Program—The Area Program was taken up in its several parts and considered by the Conference. It was moved, seconded and carried that June 10th be used to celebrate the 84th anniversary of Methodism in New Mexico, and that the last Sunday in each month be used as Membership Sunday. That the program for Oct. 21st read: "Aldersgate Sunday with sermon on significance of Methodist Movement, followed during the week by launching the Aldersgate Round table study groups and prayer circles." The program for January 6th, 1935 to read: "National Covenant Sunday. Every Methodist at Church to renew his covenant. A friendly visitation to secure attendance of every member is also recommended."

Other parts of the proposed program were considered and with these changes above noted, the entire program was adopted by the Conference.

Dr. McCormack—Dr. Ira G. McCormack, representing the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension was presented and addressed the Conference.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Conference approve the plans of the Church Extension Department of the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension to raise a fund to help pay mortgage debts on needy and strategic Churches.

Report—J. W. Van Gundy read the Statisticians report. See report.

Spanish Work—Dr. Vernon C. McCombs addressed the Conference on the Spanish work in the Southwest.

FRIDAY EVENING—7:45

The evening session was called to order at 7:30. H. L. Elston presided, R. A. McNutt let in prayer. Bishop Cushman addressed the Conference on the subject of "The Cross," closing with the service for such as would make or renew their Covenant with God.

THIRD DAY—SATURDAY, JUNE 2nd, 1934—8:30 A. M.

Devotions—The devotions were led by G. M. Henderson. S. L. Ford led in prayer.

Minutes—Minutes of the Friday afternoon session were read and approved.

Questions—Disciplinary Questions one to nine were called. Under question 3—"Who are members of Conference in Studies of Third year" the name of Gerald P. Webb was placed. Third year. (Illinois Conference).

Under question nine, each minister's character was passed and each minister gave his report.

The Bishop asked each minister in making his report to report on Paragraph 90 in the Discipline.

Supply Pastor—The character of J. S. Collins was passed and he was approved as a supply pastor.

Treasurer's Report—W. R. Williams read the treasurer's report. The report was received by the Conference.

Episcopal Residence—Bishop Cushman presented the interests of the Episcopal Residence in Denver. After discussion it was moved, seconded and carried that the New Mexico Mission accept as its quota for this coming Conference year, $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1 per cent of the pastor's cash receipts.

Reports—The following Reports were read and received by the Conference:

"The American Bible Society" by J. E. Mumford.

"Books and Periodicals" by D. A. Gregg.

"Epworth League" by J. Dean King.

"State of the Church" by Harold M. Hilliard.

"Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals" by Benjamin Eitelgeorge.

"Home Missions and Church Extension" by R. A. McNutt.

"Church Schools" by Samuel W. Marble.

"World Service Council" by S. L. Ford.

"Observance of the Sabbath" by Harry T. Morris.

Proposal—The proposal to form a Rocky Mountain Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church was brought before the Conference; each Conference in the Denver Area to appoint a commission to study the plan. It was moved, seconded and carried that the New Mexico Mission appoint such a committee. See list of Commissions.

Recess—The Conference went into recess for ten minutes.

Question—Disciplinary Question 13 was called, "Where shall the next Conference be held?" The selection of the place was left with the Cabinet.

Resolution—Benjamin Eitelgeorge presented a resolution commending the untiring labors of the District Superintendent, Geo. M. Henderson and moved that the Bishop be requested to reappoint him

to the Mission as Superintendent for the coming year. The motion was duly seconded and carried unanimously.

S. W. Marble presented the report of the Committee on Resolutions. The report was received by the Conference. See reports.

Election of Officers—Officers of the Conference for the coming year were elected as follows:

H. L. Elston—Secretary.
J. W. Van Gundy—Statistician.
W. R. Williams—Treasurer.
F. E. Madden—Fare Equalizer.

Next Year's Reports—It was moved, seconded and carried that next year's Pastors reports be sent to the seat of the Conference so that they would arrive not later than Thursday morning.

Conference Minutes—The secretary and Mission Superintendent were authorized to edit all reports and to publish the Conference Minutes.

Notices—Harry T. Morris, the pastor gave the Notices.

Excused—S. W. Marble and Frank E. Madden were excused from attending the Sunday morning session of the Conference.

Bishop's Hour—Bishop Cushman brought a very helpful message of courage and vision.

Adjournment—The Conference adjourned.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Saturday afternoon the Conference was taken on a tour of the ancient city of Santa Fe. First, the Conference was taken to a very ancient Pueblo about six miles from the city. This Pueblo had been covered by the desert sands for hundreds of years and has been excavated only a few months. From this Pueblo the tour took the Conference to many interesting shrines, Churches and other points of interest.

SATURDAY NIGHT

Saturday evening the Wesleyan Players of St. John's Church in Santa Fe gave a very remarkable play entitled "He Came Seeing." The Conference was loud in its praise of this presentation.

FOURTH DAY—SUNDAY, JUNE 3rd, 11 A. M.

Bishop Cushman preached the Conference Sermon, taking for his text the Book of Philemon. It was a masterly presentation. At the close of the sermon the Bishop read the Appointments and the Conference stood adjourned after singing "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

MINUTES OF THE LAY CONFERENCE OF THE NEW MEXICO MISSION

The Lay Delegates of the New Mexico Mission of the Methodist Episcopal Church met Friday morning June 1st, 1934 at 9:45 o'clock in Santa Fe, New Mexico. W. G. Ogle called the meeting to order.

Organization: W. G. Ogle of Las Vegas, was elected President; O. R. Rouse of Raton, Secretary, and Miss Emma Brandeberry of El Paso, Treasurer.

Roll Call: The Secretary called the roll and the following responded: C. T. French, Albuquerque; Mrs. D. A. Gregg, Belen; D. A. Paddock, Clayton; Mrs. J. D. Foster, El Paso; Miss Emma Brandeberry, El Paso; K. L. Langley, Ft. Sumner; W. G. Ogle, Las Vegas; Mrs. Goldie Van Gundy, Mountainair; O. R. Rouse, Raton; Mrs. Benjamin Eitelgeorge, Roswell; Mrs. H. F. Mercer, Santa Fe; Edward Crane, Santa Rosa; Mrs. J. E. Mumford, Silver City.

Business: W. G. Ogle spoke of matters to come before the Joint Conference and on which Lay Delegates would be allowed to vote. The Conference adjourned to meet in joint session with the Ministers.

Second Session—June 1st—Evening 7:00

A short session was held, the Minutes of the morning session read and approved. Adjourned.

O. R. ROUSE, Secretary.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS

1. Who are on trial in studies of the first year?
None.
2. Who are on trial:
 - (a) In studies of second year? None.
 - (b) In studies of third year?
 - (c) In studies of the fourth year? None.
3. Who are members of Conference in Studies of the Third Year?
Gerald P. Webb. (Illinois Conference.)
(Questions four to eight inclusive, were asked and all were answered in the negative.)
9. Was the character of each Preacher examined? Yes.
10. What is the Statistical report for this year? See report.
11. What is the aggregate of the Benevolence Collections ordered by the General Conference, as reported by the Treasurer? \$3921.00.
12. Where are the preachers stationed? See list of Appointments.
13. Where shall the next Annual Session be held? Left with Cabinet.

NEW MEXICO MISSION APPOINTMENTS

1934-35

- (6) Superintendent—Geo. M. Henderson, 1006 W. Tijeras, Albuquerque
(Colorado Conference)
- (2) Albuquerque S. W. Marble (Colorado)
- (2) Belea D. A. Gregg (Colorado)
- (6) Cimarron R. A. McNutt (Oklahoma)
- (1) Clayton George E. Berry (Oklahoma)
- (7) Des Moines J. S. Collins (Supply)
- (5) Duran Circuit F. J. Johnston (Northern Minnesota)
- (4) El Paso—First F. E. Madden (Kansas)
- (2) El Paso—Orchard Park H. M. Hilliard (Kentucky)
- (1) Estancia Raymond E. Pittman (Supply)
- (7) Folsom Circuit J. S. Collins (Supply)
- (2) Ft. Sumner J. Dean King (Oklahoma)
- (4) Las Vegas A. P. Gaines (Colorado)
- (6) Maxwell W. R. Williams (Wyoming)
- (2) Mills R. A. McNutt (Oklahoma)
- Mosquero To be Supplied
- (1) Mountainair J. W. Van Gunday (Ohio)
- Nara Visa Circuit To be Supplied
- (6) Raton H. L. Elston (Colorado)
- (3) Roswell Benjamin Eitelgeorge (Colorado)
- (2) Santa Fe Harry T. Morris (Colorado)
- (5) Santa Rosa F. J. Johnson (Northern Minnesota)
- (6) Silver City J. E. Mumford (N. W. Kansas)
- (6) Springer W. R. Williams (Wyoming)

DEACONESS APPOINTMENTS

Mrs. Minnie Gorrell (S. W. Kansas Conference) Superintendent,
Methodist Deaconess Sanatorium, Albuquerque, N. M.

REPORTS

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Bishop Cushman and My Brethren of the New Mexico Mission:

Here we are in Conference session again and here I stand reading my fifth annual report to you.

I know you will feel happy that every pastor in our Mission has done a faithful work cheerfully with due recognition of the responsibilities resting upon him and with a feeling that is good to serve our Christ and our Church in a time like this. The fine reports of today are made possible only by their cheerful cooperation and faithful work.

In common with the Churches in other places and with business every where, we have felt the sting of the financial depression to a degree which has caused real privations and has called for real sacrifices. In spite of our people's inability to pay as heretofore and the forced reduction of support that comes from our Board of Home Missions, our pastors have stayed with the work and no complaints have come from them or their families. Faithful, courageous and true has been every pastor and pastor's home. There cannot be written into records much that has been accomplished for a great part of it is the everyday needs of a Church or community and therefore is unspectacular.

I will, however, as has been the custom for years past in this Mission call the roll of Churches and Pastors and review as best I can a few of the things accomplished during the year.

We will begin in the Southwest part of the Mission and zig-zag from Church to Church until we have covered the field much as we would if we were actually traveling the territory.

Silver City is our farther most point to the Southwest. Beautiful little city. State Teachers College here. College young people taking more interest in Epworth League and Sunday School than ever before. Increase in membership. Increase in world service. J. E. Mumford is closing the best of his five years here. Improvements on property amounting to \$660 and paid for.

El Paso, First. Frank E. Madden is closing his third year. The largest congregations at public worship in years. Good increase in membership. More than 10% increase in world service.

The Ladies Aid have made 2000 calls and raised \$1293.00. The pastor's "Sky Pilot" talks over the radio on Sunday afternoons is an hour the whole city looks forward to.

Orchard Park, El Paso is largely a Mission Church, serving a needy section of the city. They have an excellent Sunday School and Epworth League. The pastor, H. M. Hilliard, is an efficient, faithful

worker fitted for this difficult problem. Beside Orchard Park he serves a Spanish speaking Church with great acceptability.

Belen is a Federated Church between the Methodists and Lutherans officially but includes most every other protestant denomination imaginable. Dave A. Gregg is the happy pastor. This is probably the best year in the history of the Federation.

Fine congregations, membership doubled, with all Ministerial and Benevolent claims met in full.

Albuquerque the metropolis of the state has had a great year with Samuel W. Marble as pastor. Great congregations await his ministry. He has made more than 1300 calls. Bills of long standing have been paid. \$1250 of property improvements and paid for. The Church property has been beautified on the exterior and made really worshipful on the interior. Sixty-four have been received into the Church.

Estancia has had W. L. Russell for pastor. A good year. A neat and much needed basement completed. Building and grounds greatly beautified. This Church has five young people's organizations. All active.

Mountainair was having a happy time with Gerald P. Webb as pastor who was serving his fifth year, until in January when his health broke and he had to temporarily give up his work on the first of February. John W. Van Gundy was moved from Clayton to Mountainair. He fitted into the situation at once and found a welcome place in the hearts of the people. He has finished the year in good shape with a good increase in membership.

Fort Sumner is our other Federated Church—this one between the Methodist and Presbyterians. It is a happy arrangement. The Church is active in all departments. They have made the already beautiful parsonage modern by installing and equipping a bath room, by walks, lawns, shrubs, trees and flowers. They have young people and children organizations. Sunday School almost doubled. World service more than doubled. Membership increased by 20%. J. Dean King is the happy pastor.

Roswell, with Benjamin Eitelgeorge, pastor, comes as always with a good report. The leading feature of the year has been the stewardship Reading Course during the winter months. Whole Church took part. Six hundred and one hours spent in reading. New stewardship pledges were added to the already large number. Church has been renovated throughout and grounds beautified at cost of \$250.00. This is a busy Church and busy pastor. Good congregations of worship. Good net increase in membership.

Santa Rosa and Duran have been served the past four years by F. J. Johnston as pastor. Bro. Johnston is exact in following the area program and it has brought results. There will be for the year an increase in membership in Sunday School and Epworth League. These are a faithful people and this a hard working pastor.

Nara Visa is in the extreme east part of the state. It is probably just now the most destitute part of the state. S. L. Ford has served those people for six years. His support has been meagre, but his services have been of the finest type, faithful and without complaint.

Springer and Maxwell have had for their pastor for the past five years Walter R. Williams. They had this year a helpful series of Evangelistic services. The pastor has been holding services in surrounding rural school houses. There are in those places young people who never before had heard a sermon. Do we need missionaries in New Mexico?

Clayton has had two pastors. J. W. Van Gundy served till the first of February when he was moved to Mountainair. Geo. E. Berry of the Oklahoma Conference came at that time. The work is prospering under his leadership. Fine congregations, increase in Sunday School and an Epworth League of 85 enrollment and 55 average attendance.

Des Moines and Folsom and Johnson Mesa is a "Great Big" circuit of splendid but poor people. J. S. Collins has pastored those people for six years and he has been faithful and efficient. It is one of our difficult yet needy fields. Not much of human interest to report except hard and faithful work without much visible results.

Raton Church is a great church. The preacher and the people there think it is one of the greatest Churches Bishop Cushman ever "Bishoped over." Howard Elston has been the pastor five years. They have great worship congregations, a great Sunday School and great young peoples organizations. A good increase in membership. All Ministerial claims will be in full and world service will lead the mission.

Cimarron and Mills have been in one charge this past year. Rolla A. McNutt has served at Cimarron for five years and had served at Mills for four years before that. Mills will be a little short in finances but Cimarron will be up on everything. Just a record of fine services rendered.

Las Vegas, where our State Normal University is located has had A. Presley Gaines for their pastor for the past three years. This is a fine church with a fine people. Good congregations in Church worship with efficient Sunday School and good active Epworth Leagues. There will be a net increase in membership and in ministerial support. A good year.

Santa Fe, we have purposely left for the last. Here we are in this quaint, beautiful city. Capitol of the state. Look around at the Church. Have you seen the remodeled parsonage? It is beautiful. \$750 have been put in improvements. Paid. Sixty-three net increase in membership. Every department of the Church a bee-hive. This is the first year of Harry T. Morris with us, but already he is one of us. Both he and his good wife have found a welcome place. We are happy to be with them and their good people for this Confer-

ence. A great year this has been for Santa Fe Church. Many more to you, brother and sister Morris.

Now please a few words of summary. We are sorry to report that we will be short on world service. We will have a slight deficit in our Sunday School enrollment. We will lack only a few dollars of being equal to last year in total ministerial support. We will have an increase in Church membership and in Senior, Intermediate and Junior Epworth Leagues. We have paid \$3434.00 for property improvements and decreased our Church debts by \$3085.00.

An interesting fact is that every church the quarterly Conference or Pastoral Relation Committee has asked for the pastor's return.

The Ladies Aids have reported more than 9000 calls made and more than \$7000.00 raised.

We have seven auxiliaries of the Woman's Home Missionary Society and two of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. Women of courage and devotion struggling for the extension of Christ's Kingdom.

Our Epworth League institute had the best session last summer of its history. Plans are being made for a fine curriculum and well equipped faculty for this summer. Indications are that we will have a much larger registration than even last year.

The Methodist Deaconess Sanatorium in Albuquerque is doing its same fine efficient work for suffering humanity. They have done more than \$5000.00 worth of free work during the year.

The Harwood Girls School in Albuquerque has had one of its best years.

The work of the Honchens settlement in El Paso is marvelous in its amount and variety.

The Womans Home Missionary Society is doing wonderful work through all three of these institutions. Only the arithmetic of eternity can ever compute it.

The angel of death has not visited any of our parsonage homes. But little sickness. The one tragedy was the break in the health of Gerald P. Webb. That break came the middle of January and for some time we despaired of his life, but he has so far recovered that he is able to get about, but still in the Sanitorium. We are earnestly praying that he may soon be so restored as to take work among us. We can ill afford to lose the influence of so fine a young man as Gerald.

Now just a few personal words. I have enjoyed more than words can say the past two years association with Bishop Cushman. They have been rich. To say that I have enjoyed the five years of work in New Mexico and the association with the pastors and quarterly Conference is putting it so mildly. How I love those parsonage homes. They are real homes to me. Then, my welcome to the pulpits and to the quarterly Conferences has been most wonderful. Of course the task

has been hard but when I think of the wonderful blessedness of it, I am wont to repeat those words of Anna B. Warner:

“One more day’s work for Jesus,
How sweet the work has been,
To tell the story
To show the glory
Where Christ’s flock enter in.
How it did shine
In this poor heart of mine.”

God bless you all.

WORLD SERVICE COUNCIL

The World Service Council Committee would recommend that Pastors and Churches of the Mission give special consideration to our World Service needs; that regular and systematic giving be cultivated.

We would recommend that our Pastors exercise careful oversight and see that Missionary Sunday is observed in each Church and Sunday School once each month, the offerings taken to go to our World Service cause.

S. L. FORD,
Secretary.

CHURCH SCHOOLS

The call of the times is for trained leadership, and for united social action; not Bible knowledge but Christian character and a Christian social order are our objectives. To this end we urge upon our churches the necessity of conducting training courses for Church-School leaders. Each pastor is encouraged to use the series of text books provided for this purpose by the Board of Sunday Schools of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

S. W. MARBLE,
Secretary

STATE OF THE CHURCH

The New Mexico Mission reports a gain in membership this year in Church, Church School and Epworth League. This is encouraging but there is still much “land to be possessed.”

We therefore recommend, first, that special emphasis be given to the Covenant Renewal Program, The Experience of The Burning Heart, and Christian Stewardship.

Secondly, that the church give careful and prayerful study to the spiritual welfare of the Spanish Speaking Peoples in the boundaries of this Mission.

FRANK E. MADDEN
HAROLD M. HILLIARD.

THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

The work of the American Bible Society has been, and is of such a character, that it has no competitor in the world. It has spread the Christian Bible over every country in the world in the language of the country where it has been sold or given away. We are indebted to the Society here in our New Mexico Mission, because it has brought into the Mission thousands of copies of the Bible in Spanish, and made it possible for Spanish speaking people to read the Bible.

We ask a hearing for the representatives of the American Bible Society in any church where they come. Let the work of the Kingdom go on through "The Word". May we be it's faithful preachers and distributors.

J. E. MUMFORD.

OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH

The increasing infringements upon the observance of the Sabbath under the pretense of being too busy for the needed recreation of our lives during the week days make it more necessary that the church firmly insist on the religious observance of the day. Remember the Sabbath Day, to keep it holy, is not primarily a commandment for the glory of God. It is for the highest good of man. Methodism has always reckoned the day as sacred, as a time divinely set apart for the purpose of worshipful fellowship with God the father and his people. We, your committee feel impelled to suggest that in no time of our church history has the observance of this day been of more significant importance than now. We all need the hallowed influence of a well observed Christian Sabbath upon our lives to strengthen us for the tasks of the other six days.

HARRY T. MORRIS

RESOLUTIONS

We entered Santa Fe, the ancient city of the Holy Faith, with a feeling that we were coming to an appropriate place to hold a Conference of the Churches. Fifty six years ago the New Mexico Mission of our Church met in this city for the first time; Bishop Matthew Simpson was the presiding officer. Our meeting is over but before we go, we pause to say good-bye and to attempt to express some of the feeling within our hearts.

We would express to Dr. and Mrs. G. M. Henderson, Dr. and Mrs. H. T. Morris, and to the faithful members of St. John's church our appreciation for the fine manner in which they have entertained us. They received us not merely as guests but as brothers and co-laborers in a common cause.

We are grateful to those who have contributed to the program. To his excellency, the Governor of the state, A. W. Hockenhull, to the Choir of St. John's Church, to Dr. McCormack of the Home Board, to Dr. W. C. Hansen of the Book Concern.

We express to Bishop Ralph S. Cushman our appreciation for his several inspiring addresses and his encouraging leadership.

A. P. GAINES,
Secretary

EPWORTH LEAGUE

The Committee on Epworth League offers the following Resolution:

1. That there be an earnest attempt to send a delegation of young people from each Church to the Epworth League Institute.
2. That the Church make every effort to bridge the gap between Epworth League and Church Membership by supporting the League program and assisting young people in their efforts to attend the Flor de Manzano Institute, and by encouraging young people to assist in the World Service Program through the twenty-four hour a day plan.
3. That the pastors of the Mission make a special effort to lead the young people into a closer walk with the Christ, helping them into a Christian conception of the political, economic, social and education problems of today, and to a definite faith in God and the life abundant.

J. DEAN KING,
Secretary.

BOOKS AND PERIODICALS

Good literature cannot be overestimated as to its value in the community for good. The Book Concern of the Methodist Episcopal Church furnishes us with literature second to none, and at such reasonable prices that special efforts should be made to stock up the homes of our people with good books and other publications.

We especially recommend the Sunday School literature published by the Book Concern. There is none better anywhere, but there is much to be had which is not as good.

We recommend the creation of a committee, two ministers and one layman, to supervise the work of securing at least one subscriber of the "Central Christian Advocate" for every ten active resident members of our church in the Mission.

D. A. GREGG,
Secretary

TEMPERANCE — PROHIBITION — PUBLIC MORALS

We deplore the excesses to which many have given themselves since the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment. It is proof that our civilization has not attained the state of development where the individual may be trusted to work out his own salvation.

The liquor traffic is with us again. It has the sanction of law—at least in part. To say that a particular political party is responsible for it is not the whole truth. All must share in this responsibility. It is perfectly clear that prohibition cannot be achieved by a minority. And to get the majority committed to it we must do something more

than legislate; WE MUST EDUCATE. That process must begin early and must continue unceasingly.

PUBLIC MORALS, it has been said, are but the extension of private morals. Yet, in a very real sense they are more. It is comparatively easy to approve, or tolerate in public, what one would not practice in private. One loses his identity in the crowd. Consequently our movies, and other forms of amusement, seem less dangerous because so many participate in them. Our Roman Catholic friends have set us a good example, with their protest against, and refusal to patronize objectionable movies. We might well unite our efforts with theirs. In the last analysis Public Morals will be what we demand of them. Let us strive, therefore, to elevate them to a high standard.

BENJAMIN EITELGEORGE,
Secretary

REPORT ON STEWARDSHIP

In New Mexico every pastor used "The Sharing Life," and many used the pamphlets, "The Christian's Financial Creed," "A New Dynamic in World Conquest," and "John Mitchell, Blacksmith." Some used many more. One Church reported the use of 490 pieces of literature, with 189 people participating. In that same Church 63 adults read Stewardship books, and 165 adults read three pamphlets, each. It is hardly necessary to add that that Church got results. Twelve pledges were reported, but no doubt many more will follow as a result of such conscientious effort. One of the smaller Churches reported twenty as having participated in the reading, with an average of one hour, each. Yet nine pledges were reported—three of those in the pastor's family. One pastor, who also serves a Mexican Mission Church, reported the interest in Stewardship keen among the Mexican people. Another reported that he took thirty minutes, one Sunday of each month, to present the Stewardship literature to his people. Some pastors were timid and did but little about it. But every Church, and every pastor, did something.

BENJAMIN EITELGEORGE,
Chairman

REPORT OF THE MISSION COMMISSION ON FINANCE

We, Your Commission on finance, make the Following Recommendations:

First:

That the amount to be raised by the Mission for the Superintendent's claim to be set at an amount equal to ten per cent of the Pastor's cash claim in each charge for the ensuing year. In case of a Federated Church, the basis for the percentage shall be on an amount estimated by the Pastor and Superintendent.

Second:

That the amount to be raised for Conference Claimants be set at an amount equal to five per cent of the Pastor's cash claim in each charge for the ensuing year.

Third:

The amounts raised by supply pastors on conference claimants shall be paid in a fund to be used as an emergency fund among our Mission at the discretion of the Mission Superintendent.

That the apportionment for the Episcopal Fund be sent to the several charges by the Superintendent as ordered by the Book Committee.

Fourth:

The amount to be raised for the Conference Minute Fund shall be one-fourth of 1% of the Pastor's cash salary receipts for the past year, which amount shall be paid as soon as Minutes are ready for distribution.

J. E. MUMFORD,
Secretary.

THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

The Board of Home Missions and Church Extension recommends that Charges of the New Mexico Mission designate at least half of their World Service Apportionment for 1934 and 35 for our work in New Mexico.

We further recommend that the Home Mission Maintenance support to Charges in New Mexico for 1934-35 be printed in the Minutes in Totals only.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER of the Mission Board of Home Missions and Church Extension June 1, 1933 to May 31, 1934

This certifies that I have received during this Conference year 1933-1934 from the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, including Regular apportionments, Designated Gifts and Special Designations, for Maintenance support for the Preachers of the New Mexico Mission, Four Thousand, Five Hundred Sixty Two dollars and fifty five cents, (\$4,562.55) and that I have paid the same out to the Preachers of the Mission in total.

G. M. HENDERSON,
Treasurer.

I have audited the above accounts and find them correct.

Signed, W. K. WINGFIELD.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the New Mexico Mission held its 25th annual session in Santa Fe, N. M. June 2, 1934. Most auxiliaries reported increase in interest and amount of money raised.

The speaker was Miss Laura M. Robinson, of Chicago, Bureau Secretary for the Southwest, who brought us much of instruction and inspiration for the carrying on of the work.

MARY J. PITTARD,
Recording Sec.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society though having no Conference organization is carrying on its work with two appointed officers. We are having an increase in membership and expect to raise our apportionment in full. We have but two auxiliaries but have extension members in other churches.

MRS. E. E. FIEDLER,
Sec.-Treas.

MRS. GEORGE DUNSWORTH,
Extension Sec.

HISTORICAL STATEMENT

The Cover Page shows this as the Fifty Ninth Session of the New Mexico Mission. Methodism in New Mexico has been organized sometimes as a Conference, sometimes as a Mission. It was finally changed from a Conference to a Mission in 1928. The Historical statement below dates from this last change.

CONFERENCE SESSIONS

Date	Place	Bishop	Superintendent	Secretary
1929	Albuquerque	A. W. Leonard	G. M. Henderson	C. H. S. Koch
1930	Albuquerque	C. L. Mead	G. M. Henderson	C. H. S. Koch
1931	Roswell	C. L. Mead	G. M. Henderson	H. A. Bassett
1932	Raton	Ralph S. Cushman	G. M. Henderson	H. A. Bassett
1933	Las Vegas	Ralph S. Cushman	G. M. Henderson	H. L. Elston
1934	Santa Fe	Ralph S. Cushman	G. M. Henderson	H. L. Elston

J. W. Van Gundy, Mountainair, New Mexico, Statistician

TOTALS

STATISTICIAN'S REPORT

(Continued)

NAMES OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP													E. League			
	Baptisms		Prep. Mem.	Full Membership						Sunday Schools							
	Children Baptized	Adults Baptized	Preparatory Members Received During Year	Preparatory Members Now on Roll	Received from P.M. or on Profession of Faith	Received by Transfer	Full Members Now on Roll	Non-Resident Inactive Members	Removed by Transfer	Deaths During Year	No. Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Enrolled in all Depts. including Cradle Roll Home Dept. etc.		Sunday School Current Expenses	Senior and Young People	Intermediate and Juniors
Albuquerque	5	9			33	31	1284	200	31	11	1	39	501	454	48	17	
Belen (Federated)	24	5	24		29	29	106	3	1	1	1	23	273	220			
Cimarron	4	2	6		6		91				1	8	124	120			
Mills	3	1	4		4		45	15	1		1	6	35	30			
Clayton	5	8	14		14	8	170	30	3	1	1	20	185	100	50		35
Des Moines							55	11			1	8	60	55	20		
Folsom Circuit							35	8	27		1	5	50	35	20		
El Paso, First	6	11	14		15	27	584	140	9	5	1	27	296	190	24		
El Paso, Orchard Park	6		2	23	4	10	90	60	19	2	1	11	130	100	20		
Estancia	1		2		3	4	111	8		1	1	12	77	112	25		15
Fort Sumner	3	3	3	5	3	13	93	27	2		1	12	126	86	16		
Las Vegas	9	10	16	18	16	20	319	11	9	4	1	26	241	209	33	21	
Mosquero	2	3	7	7	6	1	41	12	5	1	1	8	53	64	21		
Mountainair						11	104	9	1	1	1	11	108	38	27		
Nara Visa Circuit	7	4	7		7	2	127	77	4	2	2	19	220	55	18		
Raton	11	4			15	12	590	102	4	2	1	32	409	333	35		
Roswell	6	4	10	8	15	4	485	65	2	3	1	23	315	225	45		
Santa Fe	7	11	21	21	18	59	282	35	9	2	1	23	270	215	31	14	
Santa Rosa			1	1	1	2					1	11	68	60	33		
Duran Circuit											1	6	44	16			
Silver City	4	2	4	2	11	4	157	25			1	15	155	90	25		
Springer	7			1			96	10		1	1	12	95	68	28		
Maxwell	1				1	1	38	3	2	1	1	8	58	39			
TOTALS	111	78	135	85	201	238	4903	851	129	38	24	365	3893	2914	519	52	50

NAMES OF CHARGES
OR CHURCHES

Albuquerque
Belen (Federated)
Cimarron
Mills
Clayton
Des Moines
Folsom Circuit
El Paso, First
El Paso, Orchard Park
Estancia
Fort Sumner
Las Vegas
Mosquero
Mountainair
Nara Visa Circuit
Raton
Roswell
Santa Fe
Santa Rosa
Duran Circuit
Silver City
Springer
Maxwell

TOTALS

STATISTICIAN'S REPORT (Continued)

NAMES OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES	CHURCH PROPERTY								MISCELLANEOUS					
	No. Church Buildings	Estimated Value of Land and Buildings	No. of Parsonages	Estimated Value of Land and Buildings	Value of other Properties, Endowments, etc.	Paid by Charge for Bldgs. and Improvements.	Paid on Old Indebtedness not Including Interest	Present Indebtedness Including Debt on Current Expenses	Current Expenses not Including Min. Support	Local Preachers	Subscribers to Advocate	Amount Contributed by Ladies' Aid Societies	No. of Congregations or Preaching Places	
Albuquerque	1	25000	1	7500		1200	1213	5787	2020		2	12	1293	1
Belen (Federated)	1	4000							632	1	1	9	950	1
Cimarron	1	15000	1	4000		40			160	2	2	2	508	1
Mills	1	1500	1	800				300	60				50	1
Clayton	1	35000				60		7200	350	6	6		210	1
Des Moines	1	1500	1	300					25		1			1
Folsom Circuit	2	2500	1	1200					25					2
El Paso, First	1	50000				40	410	3225	1506	2	12	12	1293	1
El Paso, Orchard Park	1	20000	1	5000		200		50	100	2	2	1	30	2
Estancia	1	5300				250			113			2	182	1
Fort Sumner	1	40000	1	2500		250	315	5824	1241	7	7	2	180	1
Las Vegas	1	1675	1	2500		47			60		1	150	1	1
Mosquero	1	5000	1	1600	1500	35			132	1	1	171	1	1
Mountainair	1	1200	1	1200				45	75	3	3	30	2	2
Nara Visa Circuit	2	4500	1	1200										
Raton	1	35000	1	2500		100	250	1000	1350	6	6	659	1	1
Roswell	1	15000	1	4000		250			825	1	6	300	1	1
Santa Fe	1	15000	1	4000		400	543	8000	569	9	9	1067	1	1
Santa Rosa	1	45000	1	6000		400			60	2	2	140	1	1
Duran Circuit		8000				40		1500	60					
Silver City	1	15000	1	5000		700			15			40	1	1
Springer	1	10000	1	3000					250	5	5	287	1	1
Maxwell	1	2000	1	2000		22		295	224	1	1	260	1	1
TOTALS	23	340975	16	49100	1500	3434	2731	33226	10086	6	77	7024	26	26

CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT

W. R. Williams, Treasurer, Springer, N. M. F. J. Johnston, Assistant, Santa Rosa, N. M.

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NAMES OF CHARGES OR CHURCHES	DISCIPLINARY BENEVOLENCES										OTHER CASH ITEMS				GRAND TOTAL
	World Service Distributable	Foreign Missions	Home Missions and Church Extension	Education	Total World Service on Apportionment	Children's Day Fund	Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	Woman's Home Missionary Society	Total Disciplinary Benevolences	Support of				Total Other Cash Items	
										Pastor	Superintendents	Bishops	Conference		
Albuquerque	40	50	135	27	218	12	265	387	882	240	48	120	408	1296	
Belen (Federated)					40				40	30	6	15	51	123	
Cimarron Mills	10		52	8	60				60	60	12	30	102	162	
Clayton			20		10				10	10	2	5	17	27	
Des Moines			29	4	20	1			20	100	20	25	145	167	
Folsom Circuit			12		33				34	31	6	37	71	71	
El Paso, First	91	30	127	13	261	6	69	161	497	240	48		288	735	
El Paso, Orchard Park	6		53	3	62			11	73	22	4	5	31	104	
Estancia			25	5	30			14	44	60	12		72	116	
Fort Sumner	10		21		31				31	37	7		44	75	
Las Vegas	69		131	5	205	2		63	270	190	38	95	323	593	
Mosquero	5				5				5	10			10	15	
Mountainair	14		54		68				68	120	24	30	174	245	
Nara Visa Circuit	43				43				43	12			12	55	
Raton	310		400		710			120	830	234	47	117	398	1228	
Roswell	126		145	39	310		194		504	190	38	95	323	837	
Santa Fe		9	12	11	32			184	216	180	36	90	306	526	
Santa Rosa			52		52				52	33	9	22	64	131	
Duran Circuit										8			8	3	
Silver City	18		45	4	67				140	90	18	20	128	268	
Springer			7	2	23				67	60	12	22	94	161	
Maxwell		14							23	22	4		26	49	
TOTALS	742	103	1450	131	2432	21	528	940	3921	1986	393	691	3070	7069	

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